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May 11, 2006

Via E-file/paperless

Mary Jo Kunkle
Executive Secretary
Michigan Public Service Commission
6545 Mercantile Way
Lansing, MI 48911

**Re: Upper Peninsula Power Company Application for Authority to
Increase Retail Electric Rates; MPSC Case No. U-14745**

Dear Ms. Kunkle:

This is to advise that Smurfit Stone Container Corporation will not be filing a reply brief related to UPPCO's request for interim relief in the above captioned matter.

Also enclosed is our Proof of Service evidencing the fact that a copy of this letter has been served on all other interested parties.

Very truly yours,



Peter S. Sheldon

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Date: 2006.05.11 16:40:15
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Enclosure
cc w/enclosure:

Hon. Barbara A. Stump
Sherri A. Wellman
Parties of Record

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DETROIT BLOOMFIELD HILLS LANSING GRAND RAPIDS ANN ARBOR
WASHINGTON, D.C.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of the application of)
UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY)
for authority to increase retail electric rates.)
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Case No. U-14745

PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF INGHAM)

Michelle L. Mackey, being first fully sworn, deposes and says that on the 11th day of May, 2006 she served, electronically, a copy of Smurfit Stone Container Corporation's letter advice to the Michigan Public Service Commission and to interested parties that it will not be filing a reply brief related to Upper Peninsula Power Company's request for interim rate relief in the above captioned matter upon those persons identified on the attached Service List.

 **Michelle Mackey**
Digitally signed by Michelle Mackey
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Date: 2006.05.11 16:40:55 -0400

Michelle L. Mackey

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary
Public, this 11th day of May, 2006.

 **Alicia Ball**
Digitally signed by Alicia Ball
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Date: 2006.05.11 16:38:45 -0400

Alicia Ball, Notary Public
Ingham County, acting in Ingham County, Michigan
My Commission Expires: 1/7/2013

Upper Peninsula Power Company
Case No. U-14745

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